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ODD FELLOWS

Celebrate the Birth of 1910 by Initiating Large Class

SUMPTUOUS BANQUET FOLLOWS

Record of Flagstaff Lodge No. 11 for Past Term Ahead of All Other Odd Fellow Lodges of Arizona—Julius Herman Retires From Office With Garlands That Will Never Wither.

No lodge of Odd Fellows, or lodge of any other fraternity for that matter, could have observed the passing of the Old Year and the coming of the New in a better or more appropriate manner than did Flagstaff Lodge No. 11, when a class of nine candidates were inducted into the mysteries of the Three Link Fraternity on the night of December 31.

A large shipment of new regalia which included many rich and expensive costumes had just been received which greatly enhanced the beauty of the efficient work done by the lodge's well drilled degree team.

The initiatory ceremonies were begun in 1909 but it was 1910 before the class of candidates had received the scarlet degree, which is the one that crowns the fabric, impressing upon the mind of the novitiate the importance of cultivating and practicing moral excellences in accordance with the sublime teachings of the preceding degrees.

It was a pretty sight to see this class of bright young men at the hour of Father Time's departure taking obligations which changed their relation to a vast number of people, and filled their hearts with hopefulness and gladness as they entered the threshold of the New Year with the realization that the true mission of man on earth is to rise above the level of individual influence, and to recognize the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

It had been the aim of the degree team, under the leadership of Edgar Hash, to make the initiatory ceremonies on this occasion in every respect equal to the work done by the famous Prescott degree team. The reader will readily see that the local team was almost aiming at the stars, when it is considered that the Prescott team has a national reputation, and is by far the best drilled team not only of Arizona, but of the entire southwest. The hope of the degree captain was not fully realized but the brilliant manner in which the degrees were conferred was a magnificent example of the reward that comes to those who aim high. To be able to say that in Arizona the Flagstaff team ranks next to the famous Prescott team is something of which to be justly proud. Many a play has been presented to a large audience where the actors were not nearly so well prepared to act "their parts" with histrionic effect as were the members of the Flagstaff team on this occasion.

There was a large attendance which included many visitors, and all were enthusiastic over the splendid ceremonial work. While each member of the team deserves great credit for his meritorious work we feel that special mention should be

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Bottomless Pits Filled With Ice.

Ranger W. H. Pierce came in from his station at the Cliff Dwellings Monday and was eight hours breaking through snow and ice to reach Flagstaff. The bottomless pits have filled up with ice and snow and water has backed up from the railroad to over a quarter of a mile south of the pits. Since the two feet of snow at the Cliff Dwellings the government rain gauges show a rain fall of 2½ inches, consequently there is little wonder at the amount of water in that section.

SUPAI VILLAGE DESTROYED

Flood Leaves No Trace Behind Several Missing

Report reached here this morning that the Supai Indian village was washed out by a flood early Sunday morning. Not a house was left standing. One or two Indians are missing. There was a twenty foot breast of water came down in a flood.

Forest Service Changes.

Forest Assistant A. H. Crabb, better known in the Forest Service as "Jack" accompanied by his wife arrived in Flagstaff Wednesday. Mr. Crabb will take Forest Assistant W. A. Drake's place during his six week's absence in the Albuquerque office. It is understood that Mr. Crabb will remain permanently in Flagstaff as the assistant of Forest Supervisor S. G. Smith, who is to take half of the Coconino forest when it is divided. The division it is understood will be made along the railroad east and west. Supervisor Pooler taking one half and Supervisor Smith the other.

Weather Report.

The following data for the week ending at 9 a. m. today, Jan. 6th are furnished by Observer A. E. Hackett, in charge of the local office of the U. S. Weather Bureau.

The mean temperature of the week was 22 degrees, 4 degree below the normal. The highest temperature was 52 degrees on Dec. 30th, and the lowest, 22 below zero on Jan. 5th. The highest temperature recorded for the same period during the past 12 years was 60 degrees, in 1902, and the lowest, previous to this year 14 degrees below zero, in 1906. The temperature of 22 below zero on the morning of the 5th is the lowest that has been recorded since the establishment of the Weather Bureau station in 1898.

The total precipitation for the week was 2.36 inch, and the total snowfall, 8.0 inch. The prevailing winds were from the southwest and the average cloudiness was 76 per cent.

AROUND THE COURT HOUSE

Weekly Report of Instruments Filed in the Recorder's Office.

The following is the report of instruments filed in the office of the County Recorder for the two weeks ending January 5th, 1910.

Assignment of mortgage—J. M. Cummins to Susan A. Cummins.

Release of mortgage—A. H. Moffett et al to Polson Bros.

Satisfaction of mortgage—Jay Lebsch, assignee, to Henry Hill et ux.

Release of realty and chattel mortgage—W. D. Roden to O. L. Hart.

PLENTY OF WATER SO FAR

Unusual Rains Cause Little Damage—No Damage Reported on Ranges in this Region.

Flagstaff has suffered little inconvenience from the recent snows and heavy rain storms. First there came two feet of good solid snow, then followed a sousing, sloshing rain for two days and a half. It made plenty of water for the time being but Sunday turned off cold and stopped the flood.

The railroad embankment held up the water near S. Barron's residence for the second time during the last year and a number of families were compelled to vacate as the water just reached their floors. A waterway underneath the tracks would have obviated this difficulty.

During the heavy snow, rain and wind Saturday an electric light pole blew down near T. J. Coalter's residence and the wires knocked out a plate glass in the Coalter residence and left them in the dark.

It is possible that a number of stock tanks on the range have broken out, though so far none are reported damaged. It was a grand slosh for a couple of days with washouts on the Santa Fe at Truxton canyon which delayed trains for a few days. Eastern trains were also late most of the week on account of too much water east.

JOINT INSTALLATION

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Install Officers for Ensuing Year.

With all the beauty and impressiveness of the lodge ritual the officers-elect of the Odd Fellow and Rebekah lodges were installed last Monday evening. The officers of its subordinate lodge were installed by District Deputy Grand Master Edgar A. Hash. The installing officer for the Rebekahs was Mrs. Asa Clark, district deputy grand president.

Both lodges began the new year with bright prospects. The subordinate lodge has just closed a term which was full of brilliant successes, while the Rebekahs no have in hand several applicants to be acted upon at their next meeting.

Following the installation there was an oyster supper. The newly-installed officers were called upon for speeches, and repartee was rampant. At midnight the company adjourned to the railroad station to see one of the big engines go through.

Supervisors Make Appointments.

Two important appointments were made Monday by the board of Supervisors. B. A. Cameron was re-appointed assessor with very little opposition. He had been honest and conscientious in his work during the past four years and merited the re-appointment.

A. J. Diamond was appointed county supervisor of roads, a new office created by the last legislature.

Mrs. Robert E. Morrison Dead.

Mrs. Robert E. Morrison died at her home in Prescott Sunday morning Jan. 2nd. Mrs. Morrison stood high in the social circle of Prescott and was a most estimable lady, whose death will cause sorrow throughout the territory, where she was well known.

Nugent the Winslow man who welshed another over the head with a piece of lead pipe recently, was held under \$5,000 bail on charge of intent to murder.

Queen Lil Through Flagstaff.

Ex-Queen Lil of Hawaiian fame went through Flagstaff last evening in a special car with a number of her suite on their way east to Washington, presumably to garner dollars from the United States exchequer. The lolly lilly queen was festive and indulged in a snow ball fight with her servitors when the train stopped here.

Roxy Duell Preparing to Clipp.

H. L. Duell, the owner of a steam sheep shearing plant, arrived Tuesday from Hot Springs Junction, where several thousand sheep will be sheared in a few weeks. Mr. Duell is the inventor of the machine which bears his name and he has been engaged in sheep shearing in this section for several seasons.—Journal Miner.

WATER ROLLS SNOW BALL

Ranger Platten Tells of Exciting Experience During Flood at Allen Lake—Summer Station at Challenger Robbed Regularly.

Ranger Fred Platten came in from his station at Allen Lake, north of Williams Wednesday and reports snow and water galore. During December 36 inches of snow fell in that section. On December 31st during the heavy rains, the water started from the Sitgreaves mountains in a perfect river. As it came it started a small mountain of snow rolling ahead of it until it reached Allen Lake. At 9 o'clock the next morning there was about eight feet of water in the lake, then a mile long and a quarter of a mile wide. The lake up to that time had been nearly dry. For about a day Ranger Platten was marooned on an island with deep water on all sides of his cabin. When the water subsided some he made a trip to his summer station at Challenger where he found thieves had broken into his cabin and looted it of all available provisions and articles of any value. It is usual to lay such depredations to hobos passing along the track, but in this instance Ranger Platten is inclined to think carrying off 57 to 100 pounds of stuff on a person's back is almost too strong work for a tramp.

Basket Ballers Walloped.

The Flagstaff basket ball team went to Williams New Years day to lock horns with the Williams contingent of rompers—and they did. The score was 14 to 28 in favor of Williams.

During the first half of the game some one on the opposing team, merely to show his enthusiasm, slugged Bertram Babbitt and settled his expert playing for the remainder of the game.

The Flagstaff team line up was as follows:

Right forward—Earl Slipper
Left forward—Thos. Metcalf
Left forward—Chas. Dutton
Center—Bert Babbitt
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Right forward—Jos. Wilson
Left forward—Harlow Wilson

It is said that Babbitt is an expert at the game and for that reason was eliminated early by opponents. He was unconscious for a couple hours or more from the treatment received.

Franklin F. Towle of Globe, the census supervisor of Arizona, contemplates a trip to each county seat in the territory to secure competent enumerators to gather the 1910 census.

PYTHIANS INSTALL OFFICERS

Thomas McCarthy Will Guide the Destinies of Mountain Lodge No. 15 During Next Twelve Months.

Mountain Lodge No. 15 Knights of Pythias held installation ceremonies at their hall Wednesday night. The following officers were installed by Robert J. Kidd, an officer of the grand lodge:

Chancellor Commander, Thomas McCarthy.

Vice Chancellor—George Lumpkin.

Prelate—Richard Bomberg.

K. of R. & S.—J. O. Harrington.

M. of E.—John Marshall.

M. of F.—J. O. Harrington.

M. of A.—W. W. Durham.

M. of W.—Ad Theis.

Inner Guard—R. J. Kidd.

At the conclusion of the most impressive ceremonies of inducting the newly elected officers into office, a banquet was served that made the inner man rejoice at his presence and to feel thankful that he was a Knight in good standing.

The local lodge is increasing in membership and enthusiasm and under the guidance of Chancellor Commander Thomas McCarthy the coming year is expected to be a banner year.

Hopi Troubles Settled.

The latest advices from the Hopi pueblos in Northern Arizona say that the trouble with the Indians at Oraibi is practically ended, an amicable adjustment of the differences having been brought about largely, it is said, through the good offices of Superintendent Horton Miller.

It is reported that one faction of the Pueblos has consented to leave Oraibi and start a new village at Haute Ville, which is some five miles distant.

R. J. Arey Promoted.

R. J. Arey, for a number of years division engineer of the Santa Fe, commencing January 1, will assume the position of head of the grand division, with headquarters at Los Angeles. His jurisdiction will extend from Albuquerque to Los Angeles. M. C. Bryan of this city will become division engineer, and R. B. Ball will become engineer, and of the San Francisco Bay terminals. He was formerly assistant division engineer here.—San Bernardino Sun.

Ketchum Greaves and Dyes.

The Winslow Mail has the following suggestive pay local:

"Let Ketchum furnish you with coal. Leave your orders at Greaves & Dyes."

Probably if you let Ketchum furnish you coal the purchaser grieves and dies before he gets it. Anyhow this is a good season for a coal joke.

Celebrating at Another's Expense

In the excitement attending the Christmas trade the proprietor of a Phoenix saloon was too busy to watch everybody, a number of Mexicans took advantage of the fact to attach a syphon to a wine barrel and become gloriously drunk. Not satisfied with taking what they could drink they began to carry it away in bottles and buckets and were detected, one being arrested.

In searching the premises where T. F. Loftgren of Prescott died a few days ago Mrs. Loftgren, the widow, is said to have unearthed a sum of money amounting to over \$1000, which had been secreted in an old fruit jar.